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25. Soot, tar, and oils	Occupational, environmental	Lung, skin (scro-tum)	Inhalation, skin	Mouse, rabbit	Skin	Topical
26. Vinyl chloride	Occupational	Liver, lung*	Brain,* Inhalation, skin	Mouse, rat	Lung, liver, blood vessels, mammary, Zymbal gland, kidney	Inhalation

* The main types of exposures mentioned are those by which the association has been demonstrated; exposures other than those mentioned may also occur.

* The main routes of exposure given may not be the only ones by which such effects could occur.

* Indicative evidence.

* The induction of tumors of the nasal cavities in rats given phenacetin has been reported recently (S. Odashima, personal communication, 1977).

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Background

The National Toxicology Program develops scientific information about potentially toxic and hazardous chemicals which can be used for protecting the health of the American people and for the primary prevention of chemically-induced disease. The National Toxicology Program centralizes and strengthens the DHEW's activities in toxicology research, testing, and test development/validation efforts and provides the necessary toxicological information needed by research and regulatory agencies. Three specific goals have been identified:

- To expand the toxicological profiles of the chemicals nominated, selected, and being tested.
- To increase the number and rate of chemicals under test.
- To develop, coordinate, and validate a series of test/protocols more appropriate for regulatory needs.

The National Toxicology Program's Charter Agencies—presently, the four DHEW agencies whose relevant toxicology programs comprise the NTP are the National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, NIH; National Center for

Toxicological Research; Food and Drug Administration; National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Center for Disease Control.

The NTP Executive Committee provides linkage between DHEW research and regulatory agencies to ensure that the toxicology research, testing, and test development carried out under the aegis of the NTP are responsive to the needs of those agencies and to the wants of the public. This unique and important aspect of the NTP brings together for the first time the research and regulatory agencies doing fundamental biomedical research. The governmental agencies that comprise the NTP Executive Committee are listed in the 1980 Annual Plan.

The NTP Board of Scientific Counselors provides scientific oversight of the NTP. The NTP Board advises the NTP Director and the NTP Executive Committee on scientific content, philosophy, and policy and evaluates the merit and overall quality of the science conducted in the NTP components. Eight scientists (nominated in the 1980 Annual Plan) have been appointed by the Secretary of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

The program segments of the NTP are grouped into two categories—toxicologic research and testing, and coordinative management activities. Individual NTP scientists have been appointed as Leaders of the major program segments. Each scientist will be responsible for developing (in collaboration with other NTP colleagues) the subprogram activities, the implementation plan, as well as the coordination and supervision of the program work. Program and Project Leaders are listed in the 1980 Annual Plan.

The development and approval of the NTP Annual Plan remain central to the

effective planning, coordination, and operation of the National Toxicology Program. As NTP Director, Dr. David P. Rall (also the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences) reports to the Assistant Secretary for Health.

The National Toxicology Program's second annual plan consists of two parts separately bound: Part I, "NTP Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 1980" (NTP-79-7), describes current year research, testing, and validation efforts and resources. (Part I is printed in full following this announcement.) Part II, "NTP Review of Current DHEW Research Related to Toxicology" (NTP-79-8), lists chemicals being tested by DHEW agencies and describes toxicology methods currently being developed.

Written comments on the FY 1980 Annual Plan are welcome. These should be addressed to Dr. David P. Rall, Director, National Toxicology Program, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, N.C. 27709, (telephone: (919) 541-3201 or FTS 629-3301).

An open meeting will be held in the Spring 1980 (date to be announced in the Federal Register) to receive suggestions for future directions of the NTP and to obtain comments on the FY 1980 Annual Plan.

Regarding chemical nomination, NTP urges all those interested in proposing chemical(s) for testing to do so, to recommend the type test(s) to be considered, and to supplement each nomination with the following necessary information, if known.

- Chemical identification.
- Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) preferred name.
- Common or generic name and synonym(s).
- CAS Registry Number.
- Chemical class and related compounds.
- Physical and chemical properties.
- Physical description.